

****Media Advisory****

Wilson: “Economic Recovery Plan Includes Critical Investments and Relief”

Emergency payment would help low-income elderly and disabled citizens

Rep. Wilson to celebrate the federal investment in change on Thursday in Rio Grande

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Last week, U.S. Rep. Charlie Wilson (OH-6) voted in favor of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, which will provide significant relief for those hurt the worst by current economic conditions and save or create jobs to rebuild the economy. The legislation was signed by President Obama today.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act will provide a one-time payment of \$250 to recipients of Social Security, veterans’ benefits and government disability support. If seniors receive a social security check in the mail, they will receive this benefit. Seniors can expect to receive the \$250 stimulus check within 120 days.

“This is good for seniors and good for the economy,” Wilson said. “These payments will help seniors make modest improvements to their quality of life. In addition, most will immediately put their payments into the economy as they purchase food, certain health-related expenses and transportation.”

Rep. Wilson will celebrate the federal investment in change at the University of Rio Grande’s regular senior lunch sponsored by the Area 7 Agency on Aging on Thursday, February 19, 2009.

WHO: Congressman Charlie Wilson

WHAT: Congressman Wilson talks with seniors attending the nutritional lunch which area seniors attend every Monday-Thursday at the University of Rio Grande. Media availability will immediately follow seniors' event.

WHERE: Student Annex
University of Rio Grande
(In the center of campus, parking lot at the corner of West College Ave. and Ridge Ave.)

WHEN: Thursday, February 19, 2009, 11:30 a.m. – 1 pm

WHY: The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act will help Ohio's Seniors and Ohio's economy.